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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PARM, UNGA, US, GW
SUBJECT: POSSIBLE FRG INITIATIVE AT UN SPECIAL SESSION
DEVOTED TO DISARMAMENT

1. DURING COURSE OF MEETING ON VARIOUS DISARMAMENT
ISSUES, DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF NUCLEAR AND TECHNICAL
DISARMAMENT ISSUES (VON ARZ) ASKED FOR US REACTION TO
INITIATIVE FRG MAY TAKE AT UN SPECIAL SESSION DEVOTED TO
DISARMAMENT. IN RESPONSE TO CHANCELLOR SCHMIDT'S DESIRE

TO PUT FORWARD A CONSTRUCTIVE PROPOSAL AT SSOD, THE
CURRENT STAFF SUGGESTION IS THAT HE ISSUE AN INVITATION
FOR A PUGWASH-STYLE WORKSHOP ON CHEMICAL WEAPONS
VERIFICATION. SUCH A WORKSHOP MIGHT INVOLVE ONE OR
TWO LARGE CHEMICAL FIRMS IN FRG DEMONSTRATING THAT
ON-SITE VERIFICATION CAN BE CARRIED OUT WITHOUT
JEOPARDIZING COMMERCIAL SECRETS.

2. ALTERNATE HEAD OF US CW DEL (TURRENTINE) RESPONDED
THAT THIS MIGHT BE A USEFUL PROPOSAL, PARTICULARLY IF
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THE SOVIETS AND OTHER EASTERN EUROPEANS WERE TO
PARTICIPATE. HE INDICATED THAT HE WOULD REPORT POSSIBLE
FRG INITIATIVE TO WASHINGTON AND SEEK USG REACTION.

3. FURTHER DISCUSSIONS REVEALED THAT FRG HAS NOT
WORKED OUT DETAILS WITH RESPECT TO THIS PROPOSAL,
INCLUDING WHO WOULD PARTICIPATE AND TIMING. HOWEVER,;

PRELIMINARY REACTION BY FRG CHEMICAL INDUSTRY HAS BEEN
POSITIVE.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: REQUEST WASHINGTON VIEWS ON
POSSIBLE INITIATIVE UNDER CONSIDERATION BY FRG.
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